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DIRECTORY.

We are pleased to publish the following directory for the benefit of our citizens and visitors, and to insure correctness the News should be promptly notified when changes occur.

TOWN OFFICERS.

SELECTMEN.—S. B. Twitchell, C. E. Barker, West, F. J. Russell, Clerk, L. T. Barker; Treasurer, W. W. Hastings; Supt. of Schools, H. H. Hastings; School Committee, Miss Jane Gibson, Z. W. Bartlett, East; N. F. Brown, Town Agent, A. E. Herriek; Collector, H. H. Bean; Auditor, Calvin Bisbee.

MAIL SERVICE.

MAILS CLOSE.
Going East, 8:40 a. m., 3:15 p. m.
Closed mail for Portland and Boston, 8 p. m.
MAILS ARRIVE.
From East, 10:50 a. m., 4:50 p. m.
From West, 9:15 a. m., 3:45 p. m.

CHURCHES.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL. Main street, Rev. W. B. Eldridge, Pastor. Sunday, Prayer meeting, 10 a. m.; Preaching service, 10:45 a. m.; Sunday school, 12 m.; Junior League, 3 p. m.; Epworth League, 6:15 p. m.; Prayer meeting, 7 p. m. Tuesday—Class meeting, 7:30 p. m. Friday—Prayer meeting, 7:30 p. m.

UNIVERSALIST. Church street, Rev. F. E. Barton, Pastor. Sunday—Preaching service, 10:45 a. m.; Sunday school, 12 m.; Y. P. C. U., 7 p. m.

CONGREGATIONAL. Church street, Rev. Arthur Varley, Pastor. Sunday—Preaching service, 10:45 a. m.; Sunday school, 12 m.; Y. P. C. U., 7 p. m. Tuesday—Prayer meeting, 7:30 p. m.

UNITED CHURCH. West Bethel, supplied by Rev. Arthur Varley and Rev. F. E. Barton. Sunday—Preaching, 2:30 p. m.; Sunday school, 3:30 p. m.

LIBRARY.

Public Library, Broad street. Open Wednesday, from 6 to 8 p. m.; Saturday, 4 to 8 p. m. Over 2000 volumes. Mrs. G. R. Wiley, President; Annie Frye, Secretary; Mrs. O. M. Mason, Treasurer; Mrs. L. T. Barker, Librarian.

FRATERNAL ORDERS.

BETHEL LODGE, No. 97, F. & A. M.—N. E. Richardson, W. M.; W. E. Abbott, S. W.; H. C. Rowe, J. W.; M. W. Chandler, Treas.; D. G. Lovejoy, Sec. Meets second Thursday of each month.

MR. ABRAHAM LODGE, I. O. O. F., No. 31.—A. C. Frost, N. G.; E. S. Kilborn, V. G.; Chas. Mason, Rec. Sec.; C. C. Bryant, F. S.; S. I. French, Treas. Meets Saturday evenings.

SUNSET REBEKAH LODGE, I. O. O. F., No. 64.—Martha A. Gibson, N. G.; Alice J. Farwell, V. G.; Jane H. Gibson, Rec. Sec.; Maria Hastings, Fin. Sec.; Ellen M. Barank, Treas. Meets first and third Monday of each month.

BETHEL GRANGE, No. 56.—John F. Howe, Master; Mrs. C. E. Valentine, Lecturer; J. S. Hutchins, Secretary. Meets Saturday afternoons, once in two weeks.

SUBURBAN COL., No. 50, U. O. P. F.—J. C. Billings, Gov.; E. C. Park, Sec.; E. S. Kilborn, Treas. Meets the first and third Monday of each month.

BETHEL LODGE, No. 27, J. O. U. A. M.—R. J. Tyler, C. S. A. Gibson, R. S.; John Yates, F. S.; Harry Jordan, Treas. Meets the second and fourth Tuesday in each month.

Brown Post, No. 84, G. A. R.—Ira Jordan, P. C.; A. M. True, Adj. Meets the first and third Thursday of each month at 7:30 p. m.

Brown Post, W. R. C. No. 36.—Mrs. Arvilla Morgan, Pres.; Mrs. C. S. Little, Hale, Sec.; Miss E. E. Burnham, Treas. Meets the first and third Thursday of each month.

Bethel W. C. T. U.—Mrs. O. M. Mason, Pres.; Mrs. Arthur Varley, Vice Pres.; Mrs. F. S. Chandler, Sec.; Mrs. L. T. Barker, Treas. Meets Tuesday, once in two weeks.

CORPORATIONS.

Bethel Savings Bank.—S. B. Twitchell, Pres.; A. E. Herriek, Treas.

Bethel Chair Co.—J. H. Barrows, Pres., Calvin Bisbee, Treas.

Bethel Water Co.—Enoch Foster, Pres. A. E. Herriek, Treas.

Bethel Dairying Co.—W. E. Abbott, Manager.

Riverside Park Association.—C. M. Wornell, Pres.; E. C. Rowe, Treas.

SOCIAL SOCIETIES.

Ladies' Club, Congregational.—Pres., Mrs. A. E. Herriek; Vice Pres., Mrs. Gilbert Tuell; Sec., Miss Mary True; Treas., Mrs. F. B. Tuell. Meets Thursday afternoons.

Ladies' Circle, Universalist.—Mrs. L. A. Pratt, Pres.; Mrs. G. R. Wiley, Vice Pres.; Mrs. L. B. Hopkins, Sec.; Mrs. E. C. Rowe, Treas. Meets Wednesday afternoon.

Ladies' Church Aid Society, Methodist.—Mrs. H. C. Andrews, Pres.; Mrs. Cyrene Little, Vice Pres.; Mrs. Calvin Bisbee, Treas.; Miss Ethel Morse, Sec.

Columbian Club.—Mrs. A. E. Herriek, Pres.; Miss Annie M. Frye, Sec.; Mrs. T. F. Hastings, Treas.

UNITED ORDER OF GOLDEN CROSS No. 454.—N. C. J. H. Barrows, W. T. Calvin Bisbee, P. K. of R. S. W. Grover, K. of R. F. W. Bisbee.

House for Sale.

Anyone desiring to buy a small house in Bethel village, will do well to call at once on Dr. F. B. Tuell.

The LOCAL NEWS.

Items of Interest Picked Up About Town by the News Man.

A soft road turneth away cyclists, Bethel attorneys attended court at South Paris, last Saturday.

Walter Lawrence was home from Rumford Falls, over Sunday.

Mrs. Susan True is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Dr. Bryant of Bangor.

April showers missed their reckoning, and appeared as May snow squalls.

Mrs. L. T. Barker was in Portland last week, to attend the funeral of a friend.

Prof. G. Boardman Smith, Croydon artist of Lewiston, was in Bethel last Saturday.

Mrs. Irene Rowe Walker of East Brownfield, is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. D. Bartlett.

The frog festival chorus has opened, and will continue every night until further notices.

Harry Glidden of Norway, has been engaged to run the meat wagon for Milton Penley.

A very pleasant social was given by the Gould's Academy base ball nine in Academy Hall, last Friday evening.

Wilfred Bowler has the first strawberries of the season. They are all right, and are going like hot cakes.

A. G. Bean of Albany, was in our village Tuesday. He has just been commissioned census enumerator in his district.

Robert J. Culbert, contractor on the Dutton cottage at Metaluk Island, was in Bethel last week, on his way to the Lakes.

Rev. and Mrs. Arthur Varley, who have been spending a two weeks' vacation at East Wilton, arrived home last Friday.

Jeanette Brette, a girl of 13, from the Industrial school for girls at Hallowell, has been taken into the home of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Penley.

Bethel teachers will hold their first local teachers meeting at the brick school building, Saturday afternoon, May 12, at 2 o'clock. It is hoped that a full attendance may be had.

The Gould's Academy base ball team, played Norway nine at Norway last Saturday. Score 15 to 13 in favor of Norway. The return game will be played at Riverside Park, next Saturday afternoon.

Prof. W. S. Wight sang a solo, and also sang in the choir, at the Universalist church last Sunday. Bethel people are always glad to listen to Prof. Wight, and this certainly was no exception, as he was at his best.

Mrs. Dunn, formerly of Bethel, is in a very critical condition, suffering from a stroke of paralysis. Much sympathy for her daughter, Miss Bell Jackson, will be expressed by their Bethel friends.

Bethel's nonagenarians are active as usual. Dr. R. G. Wiley, who is 93 years of age, has sowed oats and grass seed during the past week, and Mrs. Elmira Needham, has been doing her spring house cleaning.

Harry Peppé the great tenor soloist of the Maine Festival last fall, has engaged W. S. Wight to arrange a series of concerts through New Hampshire and Connecticut. It is hoped we shall hear Mr. Peppé sing in Bethel. Mr. Wight has lately returned from a trip in Boston, Ayer Junction, and Athol, Mass.

Prof. W. R. Chapman has been in town the past few days. He was accompanied by his dog, Jessie, which was lost at the Waldorf Astoria recently, and was given such an amount of publicity by the metropolitan papers from Maine to Chicago. The Professor says he has spent forty thousand dollars for horses in his life, but Jessie is the first dog he ever bought. He has, however, refused several offers of \$500 for her and did not propose to lose her without making some stir.

Dr. Carroll of Bryant Pond, was in the village, Tuesday afternoon.

Miss Edith Stone and her friend, Miss Steadman, returned to Portland, Monday.

Mr. Scott Wight spent Easter Sunday in Boston, and sang at Berkley Temple.

Rev. Frank Rand preached in Albany, Sunday morning, and Gil-ead in the evening.

Mrs. George Kimball of Portland, has been spending a few days with her son and family.

Mrs. L. T. Barker went to Portland, Friday, to attend the funeral of Mr. Charles Burnham.

Mr. T. J. Foster went to South Paris, Monday, to attend court, in interest of the Stearns case.

Memorial Day services will be held at West Bethel, Mason and East Bethel. Delegations from Brown Post and the W. R. C. will be present.

Mrs. Will Hutchinson, who has been visiting her father, Mr. Thomas Mayberry and Mr. H. Hutchinson, returned to So. Paris this morning.

All who desire brown bread, hot from the bakery Saturday night, are requested to leave their orders at Bowler's agency, by Friday noon of this week.

W. B. Wight of Newry, was in town Tuesday. Mr. Wight has just received his commission as census enumerator, for the 187th district, which includes, Newry, Hapover, Grafton and Riley Plantation.

A. B. Tyler of West Bethel, who went to Boston a month ago to attend a commercial business college, is meeting with great success, and is very popular there among the rest. We are glad for Mr. Tyler, or any young man who has ambition to start out for himself.

The Academy reunion committee will hold its next meeting at the office of Herriek & Park, next Saturday evening, at 7:30 o'clock. Several matters of interest are to be discussed at that meeting, and it is especially desired that a full attendance may be had.

Miss Joan Stearns, who is seriously ill in Boston, underwent a critical operation at the Massachusetts Homeopathic Hospital today, which was successful, and was reported by wire, to be doing nicely. There is, however, much danger yet, although her friends hope for her full recovery. Her sister, Mrs. E. C. Park of Bethel, and her mother, Mrs. S. P. Stearns of Paris, are with Miss Stearns.

The annual meeting of the Auxiliary to the Maine Missionary Society, the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions, and the Woman's Aid to the American Missionary Association, was held at the home of Mrs. Varley, Tuesday p. m. The following officers were chosen for the ensuing year. Maine Auxiliary:

Pres.—Mrs. Arthur Varley.
Vice Pres.—Miss Annie Cross.
Sec., Treas., and Col.—Mrs. Ceylon Rowe.

Foreign Auxiliary:
Pres.—Mrs. J. U. Purington.
Vice Pres.—Mrs. E. C. Chamberlain.
Sec. and Treas.—Mrs. F. S. Chandler.
Woman's Aid to the A. M. A.:
Pres.—Mrs. T. H. Chapman.
Treas. and Col.—Mrs. L. Valentine.

Closing Out Sale.

Miss S. L. Hall wishes to announce that she is about to close out her business in Bethel, and that her entire stock will be sold at cost. The sale will be a strictly cash sale and will begin tomorrow morning, May 10, and last just ONE WEEK. Here is an opportunity to get anything in her line at cost. So don't wait until the sale has closed, or until someone else has bought the very article that you wanted, but be on hand tomorrow morning and have the first choice.

Annual Report of the Secretary.

To the members of the Bethel Library Association:

While thinking about this meeting and the report, which as your secretary, I was expected to make, an old magazine lay within my reach, and upon opening it, this line attracted my attention: "How to Write a Short Story." By Robert Barr, author of A Woman Intervenes; and, as it seemed to be a woman to intervene in this particular deal with the Library Association, with true womanly curiosity, of course, the article was read without further delay; and the chief idea advanced, by the author, seemed to be, that a rightly constructed, short story, should allow the reader's imagination to come to the aid of the author. The story of the past life of this Association is recorded in authentic history, of which we are all familiar.

It has consisted of effort and struggle, many times, but the balances have in the end always told of the full measure, although many times imagination has asked for the goods to be ticketed with the price in plain figures. The Trustees have ever been ready to work with might and main for the building up of this library, to stock its shelves with the best and most wholesome literature that limited means could furnish. The "public library movement" we are told in history, began in the time of Sargon I, some 3,700 years before Christ, and it has been at war with imagination ever since. Why should we, here in this little country village, so beautifully situated, and rich in natural grandeur, entertain any feeling of unrest? Men of the present, and men of the future must be educated, and what can aid in the advancement of education more than a public library.

This Association has a large number of reference books, considering its age; quite a number have been presented this year through the Bureau of Education at Washington, D. C. Mr. Fisher of South Portland, Mr. A. T. Rowe of Boston, Mr. Boardman of Bangor, Mr. A. M. True, and Miss P. M. Buxton of Bethel, have also contributed substantially. Mr. Rowe's generous gift of one hundred dollars, was received through the suggestion of Mrs. J. G. Gehring, and has not been wholly expended; the discount which the Association receives upon all books purchased, was by request presented, to the Gould's Academy library and no doubt, will prove a valuable aid to the students in purchasing reference books.

There are 1909 catalogued volumes, 210 having been added this year; there are quite a large number of public documents, which are valuable as reference books, which never have been catalogued, therefore, our library really numbers quite a good many more than two thousand volumes. It is not parliamentary for a secretary to comment or recommend in a report, unless by request, but we beg leave to hope, that some way may be devised, by which our library can, during the coming year, be properly catalogued; it is a matter that should interest every one who is interested in the Association, and furnishes a wide field for the imagination to work upon. The financial standing of the Association is most flattering; the bills are all paid up to date, and a small sum in the treasury for the purchase of books to meet the summer demand.

This is certainly very encouraging, when we stop to consider the increase of expense, attending the moving into our present quarters, which are so pleasantly and conveniently situated, and adapted to our needs.

The Librarian reports that 3193 books have been distributed during the year, 330 to transient patrons. The Trustees meetings have been well attended. All efforts put forth by the Trustees to raise money, have been well patronized. Four entertainments have been given, viz., Rose-breakfast, Operetta, Game party, and Annual dinner, each bringing a snug revenue into the treasury. Thus happily ends the first year in our new library home. May the future year prove as successful.

Respectfully submitted,
Annie M. Frye, Secretary.
Bethel, Me., May 7, 1900.

MINISTERS' CORNER.

Synopses of the Sermons Preached at the Various Local Churches, Sunday, April 29th.

UNIVERSALIST.

The Brotherhood of Man.

[Text—Romans 14:7.]

"For none of us liveth to himself, and none dieth to himself."

The Jews were accustomed to divide the human race into two parts: Those who were Jews, and those who were not Jews. A very convenient division. More than that, it just suited their pride. The word "Gentile" was their name for all odds and ends, or worthless bits of humanity. In this the Jews did not differ from their neighbors, the Greeks, who were accustomed to divide the world in the same way: Into those who were Greeks, and those who were not Greeks, only instead of calling the foreigner a Gentile, he called him a barbarian. This trait has not stopped with the Jews, nor with the Greeks. The feeling that we owe our countrymen much, and foreigners little, has come down to our time, until very recently. In the meantime, we are told of the man who went down to Jericho, and fell among thieves, of the priest and the Levite, and of the Good Samaritan, the only one among them who seemed to grasp the spirit of the Master as taught by the Apostle, when he said: "He hath made of one blood, all nations for to dwell upon the face of the earth"; also our words for to-day: "None of us liveth to himself, and none dieth to himself." These words of St. Paul are probably the strongest in scripture, teaching human brotherhood; that all men are brethren. Transient gleams of light on this subject may have flashed across the human mind, here and there, as when the Roman poet said, in one of his plays: "I am a man, and nothing which belongs to man, is foreign to me"; but it was the spirit of Christianity, which first broke down the barriers between Jew and Greek, between Greek and barbarian, black and white.

So much for the theory, now for the practice. The true spirit of human brotherhood never will prevail until we become general in our statement. Beginning with God as the Father, working for the benefit of His created people, whether they are born in civilized America, or in Africa, India, Japan or the Philippines. The longer I live, the more I believe with Mrs. Browning: "That everybody means well, only they don't think of it." And God is not only the Father of Mrs. Browning, but of the thought, as well. You will take notice that when the Saviour was upon earth—being conscious that he was infinitely superior to all who were around Him—mingled with all classes, taking special pains to show kindness to all. Taking dinner on the Sabbath at the house of one of the rulers, "And there came in publicans and sinners of all kinds, and He ate with them," and did not repel them. This is supposed to be the true spirit of Christianity. Is there a man who is superior, who does not owe himself to those who are inferior? In this, Christ has given to us an object lesson: That there is no gift like the gift of one's self. Our Father in Heaven, when He would show His love for the world, gave Himself. That is: He filled a chosen person with His spirit, and bid him go forth into the world and save it. And what are we, that we should not give ourselves? Not simply what we take in our hand, but what we have in our heart. Taste, sensibility, accomplishment, knowledge, inner self. "No one liveth to himself." Society must rise, as its members rise, altogether. When a great building is lifted, the screws are placed at every point, where weight is carried, and every screw turns at the same time. The "Empire State Express" makes such rapid progress around curves, through cuts, over bridges, across switches, because the more modern coupling makes it one solid train; the cars move together

as one. Only so, can humanity move on, when unselfish interest and mutual service shall unify all parts. To use the image of the body: Nobody can stand ankle-deep in ice water and escape congestion of the lungs. No fraternity—to return to our text—can bear the name of Brotherhood, with spasms of effort, relapsing into indolence. The life must be as general as the term, "Brotherhood."

This is the growing temper that marks the beginning of the new century. As the glowing sunset foretells the cloudless day, so this growing spirit of service prophesies the ideal of the "New Era." Christianity began with a surrendered life. The branches of the tree that has sprung from that life, were never so full of ripened fruit of the same sort, as to-day. The conscience of Christendom is growing more sensitive toward the disinherited. The "Elder Brother," is beginning to leave the house with the Father as he goes forth to meet the Prodigal. The new version of things pertaining to religion, are more than ever to the effect that: "Man is his brother's keeper." In short: "That none of us liveth to himself, and none dieth to himself."

METHODIST.

[Text—1st Cor. 13:13.]

"The greatest of these is love."

Christianity coined a new word to express love in its highest sense. Natural and brute affection the world had always known, but love such as taught by Christ expressed by his sacrifice, was a new thing in the world. It is the MOST NEEDED THING IN THIS WORLD.

There had been, all through the ages, exhibitions of force of power, of eloquence, but not till Christ came to this sin-cursed world, had there been a kingdom founded upon love. Love is the greatest thing in the world, because it is the most powerful force in the universe, for it binds the moral universe; it is that power that unites all the higher intelligences with their Maker, whether men or angels. It is greatest, in that it abides. Men have built great empires, founded great kingdoms, but they have been built upon force and are under the sand to-day, while the Kingdom of God goes marching on, and is stronger to-day than in any age of the world's history. Millions would die for Christ to-day. Love is greatest, in that it bears the greatest burdens, suffers long. Christ's life upon earth evinces to the world that God suffers, and is, in fact, the greatest sufferer and when mankind become partakers of His nature, they know something of the "fellowship of His sufferings." This is forcibly illustrated in the lives of millions of his subjects who have laid, gladly, upon the Christian altar the most costly sacrifice a human life can make, viz.: the surrender of self in service and sacrifice for Christ. Obedience is the law of love. "If ye love me, keep my commandments." Love is greatest, in that it never fails and will endure when this world has passed through its final purification and will flash forth from the crown of a redeemed humanity.

CHURCH NOTES.

UNIVERSALIST.

We had a good Parish meeting last Saturday evening. Now will all who are interested, please remember that the annual meeting of the Ladies' Circle, with election of officers, will take place this evening (Wednesday) at 7 o'clock. Please remember this, and come, all of you.

METHODIST.

The Rev. W. B. Eldridge will preach at Mason every Sunday at 2:30 p. m., during the summer and fall and until further notice.

CONGREGATIONAL.

The Annual meeting of the church will be held Thursday evening, May 17.

The Ladies' Church Aid Society, will meet at the home of Mrs. Ira Jordans, Thursday, at 2:30 o'clock.

A PLOT FOR A CROWN.

A Tale of Political Intrigue in Hawaii.

By JOSEPH A. ALTSHELER.

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I met them one evening in the billiard room of the hotel. I had become acquainted earlier in the day with a sugar planter from Kauai, down for a short fling in Honolulu. We sat on the veranda talking south sea talk and slapping at mosquitoes until we became very thirsty. Then we went down to the bar in the basement, and when we had smoothed our throats with a milk punch apiece we strolled into the billiard room. There we saw the three—Conway, the Englishman; Mortimer, the American; and Hughes, the Canadian. Conway and Mortimer were playing billiards, and Hughes was playing cricche, declaring with frequent and unnecessary emphasis that if poorer men with a cue lived he had never seen them.

I had heard of them before. The China boy who took care of my room and examined all my property in minutest detail, but never took anything, had given me some hint of them, declaring with much display of the whites of his eyes that "they heap big devils in their own country." I had listened also to some hints from more authentic sources, and hence I viewed the three with interest.

As I have said, Conway was English, excessively English, I may add, with an air that would have become the younger son of a nobleman; Mortimer talked much and loudly, and Hughes, as became his Canadian birthright, tried to look like an Englishman and failed.

My friend from Kauai had heard nothing about these men, and they failed to interest him. He leaned back in his high chair and, the milk punch acting as a becoming nightcap, fell fast asleep. I sat beside him and kept my eye on the billiard players and their friend. Mortimer, true to his nationality, was doing the most talking and in nowise was loath to tell about himself. He was the son of a rich merchant in St. Louis, who, fearing that he was falling into dissipated ways, had sent him down to Honolulu, where he would be out of the way of temptation.

"Out of the way of temptation," said Hughes. "Good Lord!"

Then all three laughed, each in his own fashion, and I, who knew Honolulu so well, laughed also, though silently. The big planter from Kauai snored, and his sleeping face crinkled into a smile as if he were dreaming that the price of raw sugar had gone up a cent a pound in the San Francisco market.

I could not help hearing what the three men said. Nor was there any reason why I should feel like an eavesdropper, for they talked to the universe of which I was a humble part.

"Yes, it's a failure," said Mortimer, posing his cue across his hand. "It's been tried in the United States, and it doesn't work. It's too cheap and nasty. People want titles and decorations and things of that sort, handles to their names, something they can see and have other people to see. That's what a man needs to rule with—bunks of meat that he can throw to the animals you know and keep 'em quiet."

"You're right," said Conway. "England knows all about it. We tried democracy there once—Cromwell's time, you know. One man said he was good as another, but wasn't. Cromwell made himself dictator. Cromwell died. People must have kings and princes back. Couldn't get along without 'em. Masses must have something to bow to. Couldn't bow to each other. Same thing in France when Bonaparte was master. Same thing will be everywhere."

"Only think," said Hughes, "how much is awaiting those in republican countries who have the keenness to foresee the result and the boldness and the diligence to prepare for it!"

"You mean that to the victor belong the spoils—eh, Hughes, my boy?" said Mortimer. "I guess you've hit it, and a man who thinks much of himself ought to prepare for victory."

The assertions of the American interested me. It was commonplace for an Englishman or a Canadian to attack democracy, though both live under it, and praise the divine right of kings, but never before had I heard an American do so.

But at this point the three ceased to address the universe and talked only to each other. That being the case, I felt that I no longer had a right to listen. I waked up the planter from Kauai, and we went off to bed just as the three ordered cocktails—"and be sure there is plenty of whiskey 'em, bar-keeper!"

The next morning my China boy showed me a silver dollar Mortimer, the American, had given him as a tip. "He velly good man," he said, ringing the coin to show that it was real. "He rich as mandarin." When I went out on the piazza, the three were there, all attired in white duck and bearing themselves with the dignity of the royal born. I also sat on the piazza, which was not forbidden to plebeians, and presently Hughes, who was the least haughty of the three and content at times to shine in the reflected light of Conway, spoke to me.

"Fine view," he said, pointing to the sea.

It was not especially fine, merely an expanse of salt water that makes one seasick, but I admitted that it was fine, and, being copreneers in the lie, the way to conversation was opened. I was introduced to the others, and they graciously admitted me to their circle. "Business or pleasure?" asked Conway briefly.

"A little of both," I replied.

"Humph! I don't know about busi-

ness," said Conway. "Never befuddled my mind with it, at least not the sort you mean. But this ought to be a good place for business of a more important kind—affairs, I should call them."

He stopped and looked significantly at the palace, gleaming white amid the green foliage. Then he whistled a note or two. Mortimer and Hughes also whistled a note or two and looked at each other with much meaning. I was puzzled.

"I don't understand your allusions, gentlemen," I said.

"Didn't intend you should understand them. Beg pardon. No offense meant," said Conway. "Merely a little secret of ours. We are here for pleasure, nothing but pleasure. Are we not, boys?"

"Why, of course," said Mortimer. "We want to loaf and rest, rest and



"Fine view," he said, pointing to the sea, loaf, and look at the tropical scenery and the brown Hawaiian girls in their white holohus. Honolulu is a great place for tourists to come and idle away their time."

"But if ripened fruit falls into the hands of an idler there is no reason why he should cast it away," said Conway.

I assented very heartily to the proposition and hoped that Conway would tell more, but Mortimer skillfully conducted the conversation away to the possibilities of Hawaii as a coffee growing country, a subject that we debated with logic and force increased by the fact that none of us knew anything about it.

Two or three days later I saw them going out in very gorgeous evening dress, and as I chanced to stay up very late that night I was at the hotel when they returned. They were smoking cigarettes and were in a state of jubilation. Mortimer rattled some silver into the palm of the cab driver, and when all three, arm in arm, came up the steps of the piazza they saw me.

"Hello, old boy!" exclaimed Mortimer jovially. "Come down to the bar and have a milk punch with us. No reason why we shouldn't be jolly, is there, fellows?"

"No reason at all," said Hughes, "especially when things are going so well with us. What will they say of this in America and England—eh, lads?"

"Say," echoed Conway, "they can't say anything except that we are true bloods and worthy to wear what we may win. But now for the milk punches, fellows, and after them something a little stronger."

We drank the milk punches and after them "something stronger," which was a curious foamy drink infused with the strong gin that the Kanakas love. It set the little wheels that lie in the top of the head close to the skull buzzing with great zeal and enthusiasm, and our affection for each other increased at once. Mortimer made the barkeeper fill up the glasses again. Then he lifted his own glass to the level of his eyes and watched the white foam on the surface.

"Gentlemen," he said, "let us drink to the success of a great enterprise that shall be nameless for the moment. Gentlemen, only those who do and dare deserve to win, and to such we will drink."

The machinery in my head buzzed furiously and occasionally leaked, but I did not mean to be less enterprising than they, and I drank to the success of the great and nameless enterprise. The warmth I showed seemed to increase their confidence in me. We took another drink and became brothers.

"You're a gentleman and a good fellow," said Conway, putting his hand upon my shoulder. "Haven't seen a finer since I came to the islands."

"So he is," said Mortimer, "and he ought to be one of us. We need good men in our business, don't we—eh, Hughes?"

He slapped Hughes vigorously on the back, and the Canadian, returning the blow, smiled most meaningfully.

I thanked them and asked to be initiated.

"You can keep a secret?" asked Mortimer.

I assured him that I could. This seemed to satisfy them, and Mortimer asked me to come to their apartments. They had three connecting rooms in the hotel, and they bowed me into the first, following and locking the door.

"Don't be surprised at our furniture," said Mortimer, turning on the electric lights, which always seemed to me to be out of place in tropical islands. I found myself surrounded by kings and queens and princes and princesses. They stared at me from all the walls—John, Edward, James, Charles, Catherine, Mary, Elizabeth—through the numbers from one up, like the houses in a street.

"Merely a little fad of ours," said Conway, pointing at the pictures. "Royal folks they, but most of 'em dead and gone. Want to get used to their company. Nothing like habit to put one at ease in loftiest station."

Hughes mixed another vigorous drink for us, and soon afterward I noticed

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that the royal pictures had doubled in number, but I would not allow the circumstances to divert my attention just then from the matter in hand. They produced cigars, and we began to smoke. The others looked toward Mortimer as if he were to be spokesman, and the American took his time. He blew up rings of smoke and watched them until they dissipated themselves against the ceiling. Presently he asked me if I would give my sacred word of honor as a gentleman to keep secret all that he might say to me. I assured him I would. He began to blow up the rings of smoke again, and I would have grown impatient, but I was convinced that Charles I of England and Catherine the Great of Russia were trying to flirt with each other from wall to wall, and my eyes would rest upon them.

"Would you like to be a king?" Mortimer suddenly asked me.

"I don't know," I replied, surprised at his question. "Give me time to think about it."

I was looking just then at Charles I and remembered his fate. I felt of my head doubtfully.

"It doesn't matter," said Mortimer briefly, "for we don't mean for you to have a throne. Conway already has a double mortgage on that place. But if you stood by us like a hero we might make you a prince."

"Or a duke at any rate," said Hughes. "You know I'm to be a prince."

I thought Hughes was becoming a little jealous of me, and I determined to give him more cause.

"If I can't be a prince," I said, "I won't be anything. If I'm to join your party, I won't be the lowest in rank."

"Don't quarrel over questions of precedence," said Conway. "It's bad form. Both of you shall be princes as sure as I'm to sit on a throne." He spoke with great emphasis, and Charles I seemed to wink at me from the wall. I asked again to be initiated, for as yet I had merely the vaguest sort of notion of their plans.

"It's short and sweet," said Conway.

"I mean to be king of Hawaii, Mortimer's to be prime minister, and Hughes is to be commander in chief of the army. All arranged. We're tired of being commoners and propose to cut the old life double quick."

"And a pretty little kingdom it will be, and not so very little either," said

Mortimer—"as big as Massachusetts or Wales and nearly as big as Holland or Belgium, quite enough for a small crowd of good fellows. Is there any particular place that you want?"

I had several things in mind, but I thought it best not to be too hasty, as Charles I, with the prodigious ruffles around his throat, continually bobbed up before me.

"I can wait a bit on that," I said. "But you seem to dispose of the whole thing in easy fashion. How are you to become king, Mr. Conway?"

"By the easiest and most gentlemanly of all devices—by marriage," said Mortimer, speaking for Conway. "Conway is a handsome fellow, with dignity and grace. Don't blush, Conway. It's true, and I merely mention it in order to explain myself. Though a commoner in England, he has the royal blood of the Normans in his veins, and no one is more fit to be a king. The queen of Hawaii has no children. The heir to the throne is a very young girl going to school in Germany. Conway will go over there, marry her and become king, and we will be the chief props of his throne. It will all be peaceful. There will be no revolution. Could there be a finer plot for a crown?"

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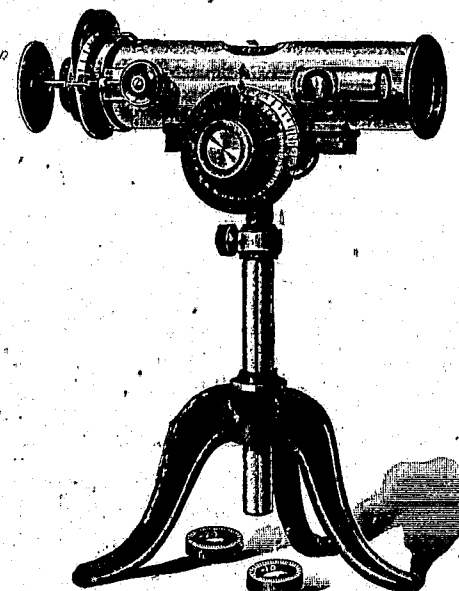
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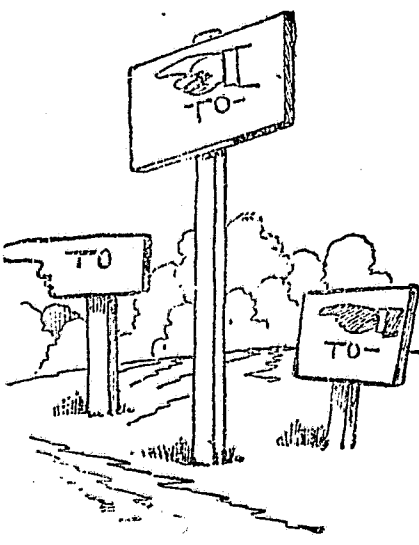
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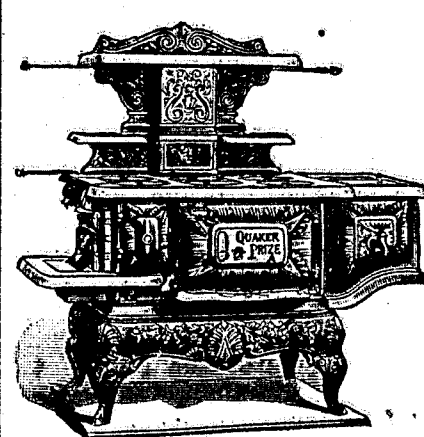
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Have you noticed the change it sometimes
makes
In a woman's face—
Passive it may be and dull and cold
Neutral tinted, and commonplace—
When the sun falls on it? How swift it takes
Meaning and color and soft outlines?
How strange new lights from the eyes will slip
And new tints blossom on cheek and lip?
The whole face softens and warms and shines,
And the hair, a miser grown overbold,
Shows forth of a sudden, undreamed of gold.
O, there's many a woman, east and west,
Must be in the sunshine to look her best!

Have you noticed the change it makes
In a woman's face—
And her heart, and her life, that were cold and
And slightly inclined to com monplace
When love shines on them? How there breaks
Over her nature a wave of gold,
Bringing out beauty unknown before,
Mellowing, widening, more and more,
Lifting her up till her eyes behold
Ever new blooms for her hands to cull,
So she and her life grow beautiful?
O, there's never a woman, east or west,
But must live in love's sunshine to live her
best.

Watch the Children While at Play.

By far the greater part of all the
little meannesses of word or act,
which makes up what might be
called the disagreeableness of
childhood, are learned on the
streets or playground. The seeds
of bad temper, selfishness, im-
modesty, profanity, idleness, un-
truthfulness and hosts of minor
evils are here sown, and seldom,
alas, do they fail of yielding an
abundant harvest.

In an unguarded moment the
little boy allows a bad word to slip
out in the presence of his mother.
She is shocked and astonished.
How could her boy have learned
to say the wicked word? She is
sure he has never heard such
language while at home.

Had she listened to the conver-
sation he had just had with some
of the rough boys of the neigh-
borhood; or, had she been on the ball-
ground the day before, during the
excitement of a hotly contested
game—of course invisible to the
eyes of the boys—and heard the
oaths and vulgarity which rolled
out from between the sweet lips of
her own, and many another moth-
er's dear boy, she would have dis-
covered where and how the bad
words are learned.

Even the refinement of a pure
home is not a sufficient antidote
for the poisons of the unguarded
play. The mother-love and the
mother-care must go with the child
at all times. Especially is this
needful when the child is to be ex-
posed to outside influences, toward
the shaping of which the mother
has no part.

Watch a group of children while
at play. Presently something goes
amiss and they begin to quarrel.
Did you imagine that the smiling
lips of your neighbor's sweet-faced,
blue-eyed girl could give utterance
to such naughty words? or, that
yonder bright-eyed manly-looking
boy possessed such an uncontrolla-
ble, unreasonable temper? Your
own boy and girl, if allowed to
play unwatched with such chil-
dren, will soon know and use the
same words and give evidence of
equally bad temper. A few words,
kindly and wisely spoken at the
right moment by a watchful moth-
er, would have calmed the trou-
bled little souls, and, perhaps,
taught each of them a needed les-
son in patience and unselfishness.

There is no time when a mother
can watch her children with as
much advantage to, herself and to
them as while they are at play.
Their actions at such times will
furnish her with the best means of
studying their character. They
feel more free and consequently
act more natural with companions
of their own age than with older
people. Their faults and virtues,
their likes and dislikes, are dis-
played in play as nowhere else.
The thousand and one little sins,
which altogether take so much
from what goes to make up a noble
man or woman, can here be found
as tender shoots and easily be de-
stroyed. The good, for what is
good in a child will come out just
as surely in his play as well as in
the bad, can be cultivated and encour-
aged.

About Home Keeping.

The poet sings of "the gem of the
purest ray serene," lying in the
dark, unfathomed caves of ocean;
but there is a deeper pathos, in that
facilities should lie dormant till
virtually dead for want of use; fac-
ilities which, if rightly used, would
help to lift manhood toward a high-
er life, a grander civilization. But
if the world needs our best efforts,

we, more so. Upon us, in perfect-
ing our own lives, lies the greater
necessity for using every talent
given us; for, while we can not
fathom the mystery as to why
mankind was created, yet we are
given sufficient insight into the
great unknown to assure us that
only by living up to the best with-
in our limits will we be fulfilling
our prescribed destiny.

The great mass of womankind is
hedged about by limitations of op-
portunity or lack of time, yet to
every one there is some open door
that she may enter, leading into
some path of thought or action
which will create a current in her
life, stirring it to its depths, and re-
lieving the stagnation of soul, of
which the weary, monotonous
round of daily toil within the four
walls of home is productive.

The housekeeper is so close to
her little world, so bound and fet-
tered by the innumerable cares
which demand her attention, that
she can not get a comprehensive
view of the whole, without occa-
sionally stepping outside the bound-
aries of her little world and look-
ing at it as a whole, as it were.

Just as the artist in painting a
picture must often step back from
the canvas and scan his work from
the right focus that he may be
able to judge of the effect of this
stroke, or that one, in bringing out
the thought he wishes to express
in his picture; he is too near his
picture while at work to know just
how it will show up when finished.

The master artist blends his col-
ors into an indistinct whole for the
background, but he lays on life
lines in bold strokes that, to the
observer, seem out of harmony;
but rude splashes of paint that mar
the beauty of the picture. But
step back to the right focus and, lo,
those daubs of color are the one
touch necessary to make the pic-
ture glow with life, to make it the
masterpiece. So we patiently pur-
sue the unvarying round of daily
duties which are the background
of our lives, yet we need something
more than the background to com-
plete our picture, our lives. Some-
thing other than the monotonous
grind that shall take us outside our
homes and relieve mind and heart
with another line of thought. It is
not a greater work, but another—a
change, and hence a rest. Many a
woman has grown discouraged,
soured, bitter; and only because
the waters of her life have grown
stagnant for lack of something that
stirred them to their depths. She
was painting her picture of life
with only a background, and the
monotony of it sickened her.

But let her occasionally drop all
care of home and seek some out-
side interest—it may be the club,
the church, or a reform movement
—and thoroughly interest herself
in that, and she returns to her
home duties with renewed strength
and vigor, better able to cope with
the problems that await her solu-
tion.

The wise woman accurately
gauges the time she may spare to
outside efforts with benefit to her-
self, and thereon places the limit.
Assuredly, the true woman never
did, and never will, neglect home
and family for church, reform,
or social duties. There may
exist a very few isolated
cases of some leader in church
or reform movements neglecting
her home and family; while to of-
set this there are thousands of
mothers whose eyes have been
opened to see the dangers which
await their loved ones. Dangers
of which, in the seclusion of their
own homes, they had not so much
as dreamed.

Many a boy or girl has stepped
into the snare laid for unwary feet,
who might have been saved had
the mother or father informed
themselves of the traps and, fore-
warned shielded their loved ones
from the danger.

But aside from this, the mother
who has some interest, pursues
some line of work outside her
home, keeps her heart young and
herself growing in thought—in her
her children find a leader and her
husband a companion. Her chil-
dren will never know that humili-
ation so bitter to the young—moth-
er is behind the times; she has
stood still in the progress of life
while the world has moved on.

Far better that the clothes be
worn rough-dry, the food be plain,
the furnishings of the house plain
and the mother be a leader for her
children, a companion for her hus-
band, than that she expend all her
energies on their physical wants,

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old way, and men will ignorantly marry
the pliant face and vivacious manner.
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pediments have been removed. The free-
dom of our education develops platonic
flirtation to its noblest uses. If Ameri-
can men make the best husbands, the rea-
son is related to the training they have
in meeting on terms of equality with
many women.

It is stupid in men and women to lack
the instinct of flirtation, but this instinct,
like so many others, can be turned to the
deepest or the emptiest uses. No sharp
line can be drawn between investigation
and pretense. To make yourself at-
tractive, comprehending and sympathetic
is the way to draw out another nature
and obtain full knowledge, and to con-
demn all coquetry is like recommending
swimming and forbidding water. Sentimen-
tal people fear intimacies which do
not end seriously, but the increase of
knowledge and security is worth some
of after. Few objects are more readily
mended and few improve so much
through injury and repair. Platonic flirta-
tion is one of the safeguards of the hu-
man race. As one after another of my
friends have passed through this gate to
the altar I have been tempted to declare
that most platonic friendships end in
marriage, but a calm memory recalls
numberless escapes through this proba-
tion from impending wedlock.—Atlantic
Monthly.

Advice From Papa.

"You look worried, my dear," said
Smithers when he came home from the
office the other day. "What is the mat-
ter?"

"The children have been very tiresome
today," replied Mrs. Smithers wearily.
"It seemed as if they would make me
distracted."

"Don't let 'em!" said Smithers, with
considerable energy. "Don't let 'em ride
over you. Just—Willie, don't talk when
papa's talking—just deal with them gen-
tly, but firm—Did you hear me, Willie?
—firmly, and you'll get along all—Silence,
Willie, this instant!—all right. As for
Dick—letting 'em worry—Dick, don't
pull my pockets. I said—worry—Will you
take your hands out or not? Now, keep
them out. You've broken a couple of ci-

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gars for me now—you—What's Willie
making such a noise about, Annie? Great
Scott! He's got my silk hat! Take it
hang it up high. Now, Dick, if you cry
you'll have—Now they've both commene-
ed. It does, seem, Annie, 's if the minute
I come into the house—I can't think—I
can't think. Won't you take 'em to bed?
My gracious! I bet if I was at home
I'd—

But as the boys clattered away up
stairs with their tired mamma, Smithers
sat down and gazed gloomily into space
without saying just exactly what he
would do if he was at home.—Pittsburg
Dispatch.

Women Who Depend on the Con- ductor.

"Do we ever pay fare for women?"
said a street car conductor in reply to
the question of a reporter who had
scrapped acquaintance through frequent
trips over the line. "Well, I should say
we do. Last fall a very elegantly dressed
lady got on the car and found she had
nothing in her purse. 'Oh, well,' she
said, 'I'll just give you a check,' and in
a moment she produced a gold fountain pen
and wrote me a check for 5 cents. Just
for the fun of the thing I presented it
for collection, but the teller insisted on
my being properly identified, and the re-
sult was that I missed my afternoon de-
tail and lost half a day's pay.

"Another lady, who is very wealthy,
gave me her address and made me promise
to call next day. Her house is away
out in the suburbs, and after allowing
me to wait for half an hour in the hall
she sent down a servant with four cop-
pers and a postage stamp."—New Or-
leans Times-Democrat.

Taste In Dress.

Very few women dress really well un-
less they understand the intricacies of
costumes and thoroughly realize what
suits them individually and how the ef-
fect which they desire should most easily
be reproduced. They must be able to tie
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makers do not find such people half as
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NOTICE.

The subscriber hereby gives notice that
he has been duly appointed executor of the
last will and testament of
ROBERTAN MORAN, late of Bethel,
in the County of Oxford deceased, and given
bonds as the law directs. All persons having
claims against the estate of said deceased
are desired to present the same for settle-
ment, and all indebted thereto are requested to
make payment immediately.
April 17th, 1900. Dennis W. Cole.

NOTICE.

The subscriber hereby gives notice that she
has been duly appointed administratrix
of the estate of
LOUISA BURGESS, late of Bethel,
in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given
bonds as the law directs. All persons having
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ment, and all indebted thereto are requested to
make payment immediately.
April 17th, 1900. Etta H. Burgess.

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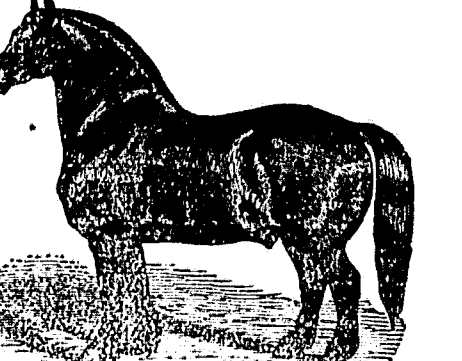
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WEDNESDAY, MAY 9, 1900.

The destiny of this country is written and no party of men can check its expansion.

The United States dollar is now legal tender in Puerto Rico. Thus is the American eagle expanding its wings.

One reason that will partially account for an export movement of gold just now is the exodus of Americans for the Paris Exposition. Hundreds of thousands of dollars of our good money will be expended in Europe this year.

The Hawaiian bill has been signed by the President. Nearly all the offices it creates are to be filled by Hawaiian citizens. The clause to prohibit the sale of liquor in saloons there was eliminated.

AROUND THE BUSY WORLD.

The Treasury Department's statement of coinage for April shows a total of 13,582,100 pieces, valued at \$16,974,480. There were double eagles worth \$12,922,000 and silver dollars to the amount of \$2,922,000.

Since 1890 the revenue of the Postoffice Department has increased from 97 cents to \$1.30 per capita of population.

During the first three months of this year there were but 2,997 failures with \$32,197,442 of liabilities. Five years ago there were 4,512 failures, with \$62,513,926 of liabilities, in the same three months. Business is better this year.

Treasury receipts during April aggregated \$45,039,326, an increase of \$3,500,000 as compared with April, 1899. Expenditures were \$40,903,927, a decrease of \$25,000,000 as compared with the corresponding month a year ago.

There were 4,500 miles of new railroad built last year, as against 2,219 miles in 1898, and 1,650 miles in 1895.

Lotteries, gambling, bull fighting, dirt and vice are being gradually eliminated from our island possessions under American rule.

Care of Sand Roads.

The more one improves the drainage of a sand road the more deplorable becomes its condition. Nothing will ruin one quicker than to dig a ditch on each side and drain all the water away. The best way to make such a road firm is to keep it constantly damp. Very bushy or shady trees alongside such roads prevent the evaporation of water.

The usual way of mending roads which run over loose, sandy soils is to cover the surface with tough clay or mix the clay and sand together. This is quite an expensive treatment if the clay has to be transported a great distance, but the expense may be reduced by improving only eight or ten feet or half of the roadway.

How to Tell a Horse's Character.
Horse phenology is the latest discovery of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons of England. According to Harold Leoney, a member of the college, it is easy to tell a horse's character by the shape of his nose. If there is a gentle curve to the profile and at the same time the ears are pointed and sensitive, it is safe to bank on the animal as gentle and at the same time high spirited. If, on the other hand, the horse has a dent in the middle of the nose, it is equally safe to set him down as treacherous and vicious. The Roman nosed horse is certain to be a good animal for hard work and safe to drive, but he is apt to be slow. A horse with a slight concavity in the profile will be scary and need coaxing. A horse that droops his ears is apt to be lazy as well as

PINE TREE CHIPS.

In view of increased prices on fur, the Bangor Commercial suggests a close time on skunks.

Don't be in too much of a hurry to answer the front door bell these days. It's only a grimy urchin who wants to know; "Don't want to buy no dan'dilion greenzy, do ye?" Kennebec Journal.

The Aroostook County Agriculture Society is making preparations for the most extensive fair and exhibition in its history to be held in Houlton, Sept. 5 and 6, the week following the Bangor fair.

The trustees of the State normal schools have accepted the course of study prepared by the principals of these institutions. In the future the work done will be the same in all these schools. This action puts an end to the discussion as to which school furnishes the most desirable list of studies and the best opportunities for fitting for a position as teacher in our public schools.

Representative Littlefield is distinctly one of the lions of the House who is sought in outside cities for speech-making. He was over to New York last week to deliver an address before the Union League Club and has returned to Washington eminently pleased with the reception that was given him. Every year among the new members of the House there are two or three who are decidedly in demand from various organizations in different cities. Of all these new members none are sought for more than Mr. Littlefield. He not only has a great many invitations out in Washington, but he likewise is compelled to decline a great many invitations from neighboring cities. Just as Mr. Reed always did, Mr. Littlefield takes advantage of all the social opportunities that are reasonable, to become acquainted with men and to familiarize himself with the best that offers in Washington. He is a very agreeable man socially and is much liked in Washington.

MEN OF MARK.

Lord Salisbury is increasing in stoutness and recently tipped the beam at 265 pounds.

Archbishop Ireland is a man of many tastes, chief among which is that for law, which study he has pursued for several years.

President McKinley drank no wine at the recent Ohio society banquet. He turned his glass down at the beginning of the feast.

Ex-Congressman John Davis of the Fifth Kansas district has gone totally blind. He was one of the founders of the Populist party and served two terms in congress.

Salvini, the famous Italian tragedian, now 72 years old, is acting in St. Petersburg, his first appearance there for 20 years. He is said to have created great enthusiasm.

Brislin Skiles of Gap, Lancaster county, Pa., though 84 years old, still makes good his claim to the title "the king of fox hunters," which was bestowed upon him many years ago.

Senator Hoar's jokes take a classic turn. He recently declined a dinner invitation on the ground that after dining he spoke only Greek, while he knew his host understood only Persian.

Dr. Charles W. Dabney, president of the University of Tennessee, has received notice from the French government of his appointment as a member of the committee on international awards at the Paris exposition.

Alfred Beit, the South African millionaire, is reported to have bought a set of old furniture for \$350,000, which is abundant evidence that Mr. Beit is not paying the expenses of a war waged largely on his account.

Sir William McCormac, the chief consulting surgeon to the British forces in South Africa, receives a salary of \$5,000 a year. Dr. A. Conan Doyle, who volunteered to go as registrar to the Langham field hospital, receives no pay.

Giles P. Filley, who recently died in St. Louis, gave up his whole fortune, nearly \$1,500,000, a few years ago to meet the notes of a friend which he had indorsed, although he might have taken advantage of the bankruptcy laws.

Ex-Senator Philletus Sawyer of Wisconsin recently sold his last piece of property in Washington and now owns only a trifling bit of suburban acreage. He takes a keen interest in Washington affairs and is extremely well posted on what is going on.

Senator Vest recently sent a newspaper clipping to the secretary to be read to the house. The latter got the wrong side of the clipping, and instead of an editorial on the money question began: "Ridiculous! We are giving away these goods at half price." "The other side!" cried Mr. Vest.

Calvin Fenton Fargo, who recently died in San Francisco at the age of 80, was a "forty-riener." He was a cousin of Governor Fenton and a native of Batavia, N. Y. He lived in Paris for 15 years, returning to California in 1865. He was a bachelor and left his large fortune to his niece, the wife of Dr. George Taylor Stuart of New York city.

MARRIED.

In North Waterford, May 1, Mr. Hubert York and Miss Elizabeth I. Grover, both of Bethel.

LOCALS.

Mr. E. C. Rowe is in Boston, this week.

The Ladies' Club will not meet Thursday, as the Federation is to meet in the Universalist Chapel, Wednesday, p. m.

The selectmen have ordered the constable to shoulder his gun and wage his annual war on the dogs that have not been licensed. He is on the war path and if you have not licensed your dog you had better do so at once.

At the annual Parish meeting of the First Universalist Parish of Bethel, held at the church parlors last Saturday evening, there was a good attendance and much interest. The following officers were chosen for the ensuing year:

Moderator—J. H. Barrows.
Clerk—A. W. Grover.
Treasurer—E. H. Young.
Assessors—G. R. Wiley, C. M. Womell, Charles Mason, E. C. Park.

Previous to the meeting a parish supper was served. Tuesday evening the regular annual meeting of the trustees was held and the minor officers chosen. The board of trustees, is made up of the four assessors, with the moderator, clerk, and treasurer.

Catalogues Wanted.

Aug. 9, is the date set for Gould's Academy reunion. The committee having the matter in charge is very anxious to secure catalogues of the school published the following years, and any person who has one, or more of the same, is respectfully urged to loan them to the committee:

1851,
1852,
1860,
1861,
1863,
1871,
1872,
1874-1876, inclusive.
1879-1881, "
1884-1889, "
1891,
1893,
1894.

Advertised Letters.

Letters for the following named parties may be found at the post office:

Mr. Charles D. Barnes.

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The great purchase of 1000 sets of "bite's & Justies" best teeth by Dr. E. Bailey, Dentist, Lewiston, has made a sensation. These teeth are fresh from the factory with all the latest moulds and shades.

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Keep a supply of ground bone and oyster shells where the fowls can always get them.

Do not feed too much at a time nor too often of the same article, nor too long in the same place.

Flaxseed meal fed with other feed makes fowls look sleek and glossy and it helps to clean the skin.

Millet and sorghum seed make a good feed for young poultry, and if used with cornmeal and table scraps will aid in keeping the chickens growing at small cost.

A very poor hen will not lay at all; an overfat one will lay but few eggs, and they will not hatch, while an overfat cock is sterile and not fit to use. Never use a deformed or weak fowl for breeding.

Milk in almost any form is good for poultry. It can be given to young chicks and growing fowls as well as to those that are matured. It should never be made to take the place of water.—St. Louis Republic.

THE CHURCHMEN.

The Rev. John Dow Hills, rector of Christ Episcopal church, Dayton, O., has been appointed university preacher at Cornell university for June 10 next.

Professor Margoliouth of Oxford is one of the greatest scholars in England. He is a vigorous opponent of the higher criticism of the Bible, and although he is a low churchman, he is a great admirer of Archbishop Laud.

The Rev. Dr. Maunsell Van Rensselaer, who was at one time president of Hobart college and who was a direct descendant of the first Rensselaer who settled in this country, died at Lakewood recently after a brief illness. Dr. Van Rensselaer was born in Albany in 1815.

The Rev. Samuel Elliot, the secretary of the American Unitarian association, makes an appeal to Unitarians for nearly \$400,000 to meet various needs of the denomination. Of this sum \$100,000 would be for the erection of a divinity school at Berkeley, Cal., in connection with the University of California.

COUCHES.

A comfortable couch is a very necessary touch to the coziness of the room. They are made in all manner of designs and in a dazzling lot of coverings in velours, corduroy, leather, tapestry and plushes. The springs are springy and deep, the upholstery up to our high standard, with prices well moderated to the wishes of our customers.

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bought this comfortable Couch, direct from the makers, Freight Prepaid, sent "on approval," to be returned at our expense if not positively the best Couch ever sold at so low a price. Has rubber drop head, adjustable to any angle, tufted seat and back; all hair filled; full spring seat and head. Covered with beautiful figured velour in either old mahogany or myrtle green and trimmed with heavy fringe. (Same Couch with imitable head, tufted in seat only, \$15.50)

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I cordially invite all my old patrons and the public in general to give me a call whether you purchase or not.

I have greatly enlarged my Clothing Department, with the latest styles the market affords.

The stock of Dress Goods has not been neglected. You will readily see if you will give us a call.

This week I call your attention to a fine line of

HAMBURG.

Come in and see me now for I am ready for business, and I am convinced I can please you.

Thanking you for past favors, I am

Yours respectfully,

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Mr. Faunce was formerly Manager of the Oxford County Shoe Store, and invites all his friends to call and see him here.

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Wilfred Bowler,
Bethel.

MIDDLE INTERVALE.

A real snow storm here, last Saturday morning.

Owing to the severe rain of Thursday, there was no Circle.

D. M. Kimball is much improved, and we are glad to see him out again.

B. W. Kimball was taken sick with la grippe, last Sunday, but is much better now.

Mrs. Burgess brings the scholars from that district to this school instead of carrying them to East Bethel, as formerly.

Our Ladies' Sewing Circle will meet next with Mrs. Will Farwell, May 17. We hope for a pleasant day, and a large attendance.

Guy Swan made a brief call in this place, last Friday. Mr. and Mrs. Swan visited at his father's a few days last week, returning to Gorham, N. H., Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Bean moved to Andover a few days ago. Mr. and Mrs. Bean have lived on the farm here a long time, this being the old homestead, and the many neighbors are very sorry to lose them. Mr. Maurice Bean will stay on the home place.

NORTH NEWRY.

Miss Florence Kilgore and sister, Verna, are spending a week in Norway.

Mr. Karl Thurston of Errol, N. H., has been in town the past week, visiting relatives.

The lower school commenced last Monday with Miss Maenette Littlehale as teacher.

Mr. M. L. Thurston came home last Monday, from Andover, where he has a crew at work.

The Ladies' Sewing Circle will meet Thursday afternoon and evening, May 10, at Eames' Hall.

Miss Edna Thurston, who has been staying with her aunt, Mrs. H. F. Thurston, for the past winter, is working for her uncle in Rumford.

SHIRT WAISTING

of ladies is a great item in the Dry Goods business. A lady needs from one to as many as she likes. This is the reason each season's waist sales are larger than the preceding year's. A thing peculiar to Waists, this season, is the French back, no yoke.

THIS WAIST OPENING

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One Lot Waists, stylish printed material, French back. Price, 50c

One Lot Waists, assorted plain colors. French back, six plaits in back, fronts with eight strips of white, pearl buttons. Price, \$1.00

Some very pretty striped percale waists at 87c and \$1.00

One Lot Waists, striped percale, French back, with twelve plaits in back and twelve in front, pearl buttons. Price, \$1.50

One Lot Waists, striped percale, nine plaits in back, arranged in very pretty effects, front has four lines of one inch insertion. Price, \$2.00

We have a great variety of Black and White Waists. In fact, we have probably told you of not more than one-tenth of the styles we have.

Why not stock up before the goods are all picked over?

Thomas Smiley,

NORWAY, ME.

MAGALLOWAY.

The reception given at Grange Hall, Wentworth's Location by Mr. and Mrs. Fred York will be remembered by those present as a most enjoyable event. About one hundred and fifty invited guests were present and spent the time in social converse, interspersed with dancing to music furnished by Mr. and Mrs. Chamberlain of Canaan, Vt., and not least among the good things enjoyed, was the treat served during the evening, of bananas, oranges, apples, candy, nuts, and cigars. The presents to Mr. and Mrs. York were: Stella Wilson, one pair linen towels, tablecloth, and lamp; R. B. Wilson, raisin seeder, meat grinder, and flatirons; L. E. York, silk muffler; Mrs. Nell Patterson, two silver dessert spoons and silver napkin ring; May Searles, two silver dessert spoons; Mr. and Mrs. George McGinley, silver cake basket; George York, silver berry spoon; Ethel Bennett, silver cream spoon; Mr. Prince McGinley, two dollars; Mr. Neal McGinley, pair of towels and a dozen napkins; Mr. Peter Bennett, whip; Fred H. Flint, one dollar; Mr. David York, three dollars; Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Flint, three dollars and a pair of linen towels; Misses May and Lora Flint, china ice cream set; Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Bennett, silver pie knife; Frank Hayden, two dollars and fifty cents; James McAllister, two dollars and fifty cents; John Brooks, butter knife and sugar shell; Lawrence Littlehale, silver berry spoon; B. B. Bennett, pair of linen towels; Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Turner, glass berry set; Mr. and Mrs. Jess Harriman, one half dozen silver teaspoons; Mrs. Al Hart, pair of towels; Mr. and Mrs. Harry Pennock, glass set; Flossie Hart, doiley; Leslie Hart, two dollars; Joe Hart, toothpick holder; Bert Sherburn, one dollar; Mr. and Mrs. Walter Buckram, two dollars; Mr. and Mrs. Fred A. Flint, one-half dozen silver knives and forks; Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Flint, silver soup ladle; Addie Flint, gravy ladle; Mrs. Fred Taylor, water pitcher; Mrs. A. N. Littlehale, fifty cents; Miss Lillian Littlehale, box of soap; Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Leavitt, one dollar; Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Lowe, five dollars; Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Wilson, one dollar; Mr. and Mrs. Andy Wilson, tablecloth; Mr. Floyd Wilson, vinegar bottle; Mr. Roy Linnell, box of soap; Mr. and Mrs. Lee Wilson, bean pot and fruit dish; Mr. and Mrs. James Bragg, commode set; Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Bragg, one dollar; Mr. Eddie Ferren, two dollars; Miss Ellen Douglass, picture; Mr. and Mrs. Guy Thurston, china water pitcher; Miss Stella Crimmins, one dollar; Mr. Dana Wilson, pair of towels; Hazie Wilson, egg beater; Mr. and Mrs. B. N. Wilson, six tumblers; Mr. and Mrs. Lindsey Jordan, one dozen napkins; M. E. Kimball, pair of towels; Mr. and Winnie West, three silver table spoons; Nettie Thurston, pair of towels; Mr. Ernest Thurston, one dollar; Mr. Clark Thurston, two china cups and saucers; Alma Corbett, bedspread; Azel Wilson, silver butter knife and sugar shell; Mr. and Mrs. Will Blanchard, silver cold meat fork, and silver pepper and salt shakers; Mr. and Mrs. Sanford Yates, vases; Edith Grover, pair of towels; Lorin Sweatt, two cups and saucers, and pitcher; Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Sweatt, two cups and saucers; Perley Flint, four dollars; Fred Morton, seventy-five cents; Harvey L. Morton, five dollars; Alvira Noyes, fifty cents. When the early hours of morning warned them that all good times must end, the guests departed, wishing Mr. and Mrs. York many years of prosperity and happiness.

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SOUTH PARIS.

Court is still in session. The Pine Tree Social Club met to-day at the home of Mrs. Helen Ohlida.

Mr. Phineas Curtis of North Paris, is working for Mr. Charles Brett.

Mr. Frank Maxim has improved his house by the addition of two dormer windows.

Mr. Leander Billings is having a portico built on the front of his residence on Main St.

Mrs. Charles Dvinal was run over by a team, in Market Square, one day last week; no bones were broken.

Emerson Curtis of West Paris, is working for Leonard Whitman of Park St., finishing off rooms on the top floor for a rent.

Mr. A. C. Richards, the plumber who has been sick at his home in Chelsea, Mass., for the past three months, has returned to his work.

Mr. Charles Brett and Wirt Stanley went to Summer trout fishing, one day this week; they made a big catch and got home in good season.

At the High school social last Thursday evening Wendall Rounds went to raise one of the back windows in New Hall; he lost his balance, and fell out, striking the telephone wires to which he held while he broke out a pane of glass in E. P. Parlin's drug store, and got in through the window, safely, but some frightened.

NEWRY CORNER.

"Our man with the hoe is a noble man. His eyes are bright though his cheeks are tan;

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With never a hint of beer or wine,

His fragrant breath is like new-mown hay,

As he whistles a low tune, light and gay,

Oh, many a winsome maid I know,

Dreams tender dreams of the man with the hoe."

Fred Bailey has purchased a horse.

H. S. Hastings has finished excavating his cellar.

Miss Bessie Searle has commenced her school in Grafton.

Miss Fannie Hastings of Auburn made us a short call last week.

Mr. Robert Clough made a short stay in this vicinity, recently.

Mr. Keniston and family have moved into Dell Smith's house.

Rev. O. L. Stone made us a farewell call on his way to his new home.

Our neighbor took a sleigh-ride on May 1; we had a snowstorm on the fifth.

Our new pastor, Rev. E. Congdon, is now fairly settled; the subject of his Sabbath discourse was, "Jesus our Saviour."

On Sunday last, we missed the well known form and hearty tenor of Mr. J. C. Saunders, whose absence was due to the accident which caused his broken ribs, and confines him to the house.

GILEAD.

Mrs. Ed Spears is sick.

Mrs. Charles Benis is quite ill with throat trouble.

Our school opened April 30, with Miss Edna Merrill of Gray as teacher.

Mrs. George Robertson is still with her mother, Mrs. Briggs of East Otisfield.

Burglars broke into J. W. Bennett's store Saturday night. They obtained entrance through a window. They took about seventy-five dollars worth of watches, fifteen dollars in money, postage stamps, three suits of clothes, three hats, also tobacco, cigars, and candy. They were tracked to Berlin, N. H.

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WEST BETHEL.

Arbor Day next Monday.

Cold nights and windy days.

Miss Maud Merrow was at home Saturday and Sunday.

Orin Kimball has moved in to one of Mrs. L. F. Bean's rents.

Clarence E. Burgess moved on to a farm in Shelburne, N. H., last week.

Wallace Burgess has moved from the A. J. McAllister farm to this village.

H. G. Mason attended Pomona Grange and visited his children in Norway, last week.

John F. Allen, who has long been suffering from a cancerous sore on his face, is failing quite fast.

Mayflowers have lost their beauty since the hard freeze of Saturday night, but Maybaskets continue to flourish.

Meetings will be held in Union church every Sunday afternoon, at 2:30. Rev. F. E. Barton preaching on the first and third, and Rev. Arthur Varley on the second and fourth Sundays of each month.

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EAST BETHEL.

Mr. H. E. Bartlett has gone to Andover to work.

Willis' mill is again in operation and will be run nights.

Mr. D. W. Cole has let his farm work to Mr. J. Mayconell.

Mr. and Mrs. Porter Farwell visited Auburn and Lewiston last week.

Mrs. Sarah Farwell is spending a few weeks with her son, Mr. Wm. Farwell.

Mrs. G. H. Tracy is visiting her daughter at her former home in Harrison.

Mrs. Payson Rich and three children are visiting relatives in Milan, N. H.

Mr. Payson Rich has purchased a house lot of George Swan, and soon will build a house.

Mrs. Irving Kimball of Boston, is spending a few weeks with her mother, Mrs. J. L. Holt, who is in very poor health.

Mr. George Mason and Mr. S. F. Estes are working with their teams for the Oxford Paper Co., at Rumford Falls.

The church is receiving two coats of paint; the paint has been donated and the work is freely given by a number of the men in this place.

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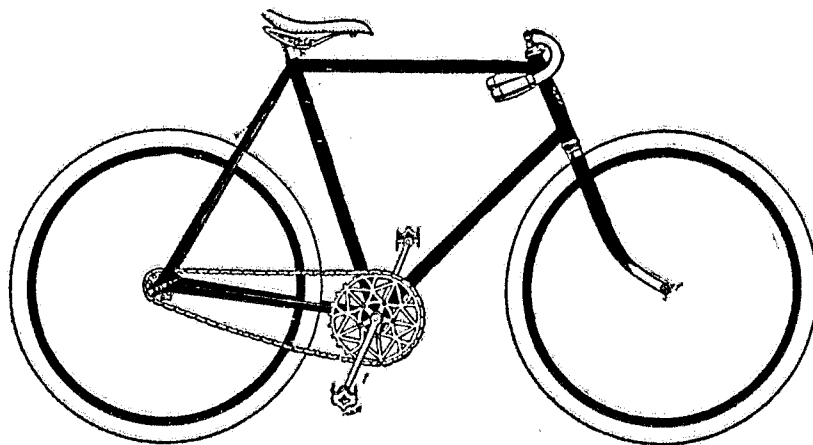
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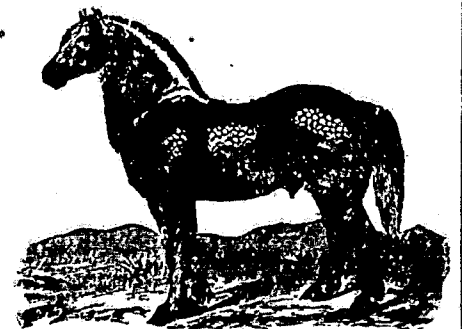
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The following is the official report of the Fifth Maine at Fredericksburg, as given by Col. Edwards to General John L. Hodsdon. It has not been revised nor re-vamped, but is just as it came from the Colonel's pen just 37 ago today.

Headquarters 5th Maine Vols.

May 9th, 1863.

Brig. Gen'l John L. Hodsdon,

Adj't Gen'l, State of Maine.

SIR:—I have the honor to submit the following report of the engagements in which this regiment has participated in the late movements of the army.

My regiment broke camp near White Oak Church, Va., on the afternoon of Tuesday, April 23, and bivouacked near the point selected for crossing the Rappahannock, a short distance below Fredericksburg, at about dark on the same day. Brooks' division, of which my regiment forms a part, was to cross first in pontoon boats, and capture and hold the opposite bank of the river, while the bridges were being laid.

Everything being in readiness, a short time before daybreak, the boats were loaded with troops, and pushed boldly out into the stream. On nearing the opposite bank, a volley of musketry was discharged from the rifle pits of the enemy, killing and wounding several in Russell's brigade; but nothing daunted, the boats moved rapidly forward, and in a moment the troops were landed, and, rapidly forming a line, charged gallantly up the bank, and into the rifle pits, scattering the enemy in every direction. My regiment was among the first to cross and succeeded in reaching the opposite bank, and formed a line without losing a man. It was a bold undertaking; not a man flinched, but came gallantly to the work. In an incredibly short time, Brooks' division was all over and deployed in lines of battle. The pickets of the enemy fell back rapidly, and our skirmishers soon occupied the wide plain in front of our position. Before noon, three bridges were completed, and some batteries brought over to assist in holding the position.

No advance was made until the morning of the 3rd instant, at about 1 o'clock a. m., when the troops were ordered under arms, and moved forward to the center of the plain, in front of our position, where a line of battle was formed, and halted until daylight. Upon receiving orders to advance, I moved forward by the flank and occupied a position at the point where the Bowling Green turnpike intersects a deep ravine.

About this time the batteries within the enemy's works opened with shell, and were directly replied to by our batteries, announcing that the battle had commenced. My regiment occupied this position until near 7 o'clock, when orders were received to move down the turnpike to the left of the ravine to the support of a battery, which movement was executed in good order, amid a storm of shell from the enemy's batteries, but without loss. From this position, I moved by the left flank to the right and front of the battery which we supported and formed a line at right angles with, and about one hundred yards from the road facing the ravine.

Immediately after this, I was ordered by Gen'l Bartlett to move forward up the ravine and occupy the railroad, connecting my right with the 96th Pennsylvania Volunteers, who were deployed as skirmishers on the right of the ravine.

As soon as I commenced to carry out the order, the movement was discovered by the enemy, when they opened a rapid fire from a battery, with sharpshooters or grape and canister upon us, at a range of two hundred yards, thinning our ranks at every discharge. Scarcely heeding it, my men pushed boldly forward up the ravine, through a thick undergrowth and over broken ground until my right had reached the left of the 96th Pennsylvania. Here, fell Adjutant Geo. W. Bicknell, while gallantly urging on his men, severely wounded in the head.

Upon reaching this point, it was found that the railroad was occupied by the enemy in force, and

that the position was commanded by his batteries, and it was deemed imprudent to attempt to gain the position.

My left companies were thrown out as skirmishers and the best marksmen employed as sharpshooters to pick off the enemy's gunners. A sharp fire was kept up here for nearly an hour, when I was ordered to retire and occupy my last position on the flank of the battery.

The regiment retired in good order, bringing all the killed and wounded off, occupying the old position where it remained until near 12 o'clock m., when the heights in the rear of the city were carried by Howe's and Newton's divisions, and firing ceased. The loss of my command in this engagement was three officers and eighteen men in killed and wounded, as follows:

Adj't. Geo. W. Bicknell, wounded severely.
Capt. Edwd. M. Robinson, Co. C, wounded slightly.
2nd Lieut. Oren B. Stevens, Co. F, wounded slightly.

KILLED.

Private John F. Ward, Co. E.
" James McPhilling, " F.
Serg't. Joseph C. Sawyer, " I.
" Geo. E. French, " K.

WOUNDED.

Private Patrick Gleason, Co. A.
" Frank Lord, " "
" Wm. Brown, " "
" James Gaddis, " C.
Capt. George S. Berry, " D.
Private Jefferson Smith, " "
" I. G. Purington, " E.
" Lorenzo D. Morse, " F.
" John Godfrey, " G.
" Frank O. Dealing, " G.
Corp. E. Whittemore, Jr., " I.
Private Daniel M. Stearns, " "
" Charles Dunham, " "
" John French, " K.

Upon receiving orders I immediately joined the brigade on the turnpike, and moved forward through Fredericksburg to the Heights in rear of the city. Here a short halt was made, and then we moved forward on the Plank Road, towards Salem Heights. At a distance of about three miles from the city, the enemy made a stand, and opened fire from a battery, upon our advancing column. A line of battle was immediately formed, extending to the right and left of the road.

My right rested upon the road and supported the 121st New York regiment. The line advanced in this position until near the woods where the enemy were posted, when I moved obliquely to the left and formed on the left of the 96th Pennsylvania regiment in the edge of the woods.

My regiment was now on the extreme left of the line and without support. The right of the line had already become heavily engaged, and the heavy and continuous volleys, told us but too plainly, that the enemy were in large force, and that warm work was before us.

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How to Remove Ink From Carpets.
Dip a clean sponge in milk and sponge the ink spot, cleansing the sponge in clean water before putting it again in the milk, so as to avoid smearing it; continue the operation until all the ink is removed; then wash the milk out of the carpet.

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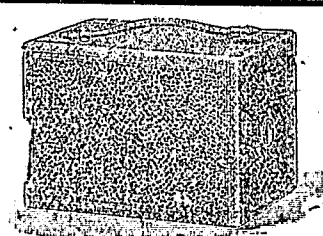
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Between the iron bridge on the railroad track and my home on Sumner Street, a small silver and gold Waltham watch. The back is inlaid with gold similar to the letter W. The finder, or anyone giving information about the same will be suitably rewarded. Mrs. F. J. Tyler, Bethel.

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A party in the village desires to secure a rent consisting of house and stable. Inquire at the News office.

Notice.

Any who desire to furnish wood for any of the schools, carry scholars for the present year, or clean any of the school houses, should send in their proposals or confer with the Superintendent of Schools at an early date.

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Our Young Readers

The Queer Little House.

There is a queer little house, And it stands in the sun; When the good mother calls, The children all run.

While under her roof They are cosy and warm, Though the cold wind may whistle, And bluster and storm.

In the daytime this queer Little house moves away, And the children run after it, Happy and gay;

But it comes back at night, And the children are fed, And tucked up to sleep In a soft feather-bed.

This queer little house Has no windows nor doors, The roof has no shingles, The rooms have no floors;

No fireplace or chimney, Nor stove can you see, Yet the children are cosy And warm as can be.

The story of this Funny house is all true; I have seen it myself, And I think you have, too.

You can see it to-day, If you watch the old hen, When her downy wings cover Her chickens again.

Mt. Holly Springs, Penn. EDNA H.

The Bicycle Towing and Salvage Company.

BY JOHN F. COWAN.

"O Phil! did you see the bulletin board? The German steamship Frederick is on a reef 'down the harbor."

"Will she sink, Nels?" was Phil's quick question.

"There's a chance for her. Anyway, two of the wrecking tugs have just steamed down to help her—the Hercules and the Big Mike. Papa went on the Hercules; you know he's superintendent of the company."

"I'll be a feather in your father's cap if he gets her off. Why she must be worth over a million, with her cargo."

"It won't mean less than \$20,000 salvage for the company," Nels informed his chum. "But come on, if you are ready for that ride. It's going to be hot and dusty out on the boulevard later."

The two made a picture that would have gladdened the heart of any admirer of fine boys, in their neat-fitting cycle suits, the muscles of their sinewy legs swelling as they gracefully pushed their pedals, and the exercise bringing a fine show of color to their fresh cheeks.

The road stretched out from the city toward the reservoir, broad and as smooth as a floor, but slightly ascending all the way and ascending quite steeply in places.

"Let's take it easy up that grade, Phil," advised Nelson. "There's no use getting all heated up."

"Well, there's a chap that isn't taking it any too easy. Cracky! watch him do the jumping-jack act," and Phil jerked his head in the direction of a queer-looking combination of tricycle and scissors-grinder's rig that was crawling up the grade in response to the almost frantic pedalling of the rider.

Both boys burst into a hearty laugh, for they were in fine spirits, and it is surprising how little it takes to provoke a laugh when the heart is full and free.

But the thin, pale man ahead of them did not seem to hear them. He was using all of his strength trying to push his heavy tricycle up the grade. The boys could not see that his face was white from fatigue, until they laughed the second time, and he turned his head to see what it meant.

"It's old Tony," said Phil recognizing the scissors-grinder that frequented their street. "See how he gasps for breath, Nels."

As Phil spoke, the man almost let his wheel stop while he leaned over his handle bars for support, and coughed a hard hacking sort of a bark.

"I say, Phil," remarked Nels, "that's no racing machine for weight, that he is pushing."

"And that's no Murphy for muscle on it, either," responded Phil. "Tony won't break any million-minute record to-day."

"Let's pace him up a bit. Maybe that's what he needs."

"All right—but say! I've got a scheme better than that." Phil guided his wheel over close to Nelson's, and they put their heads together for a minute. Then they

nodded knowingly and set off at a brisk pace.

"Lucky I happened to bring my rough-riding lariat along," said Phil. "Say, how do they hail a ship in distress?"

"She is supposed to do the hailing, but never mind, we'll fix that. The Bicycle Towing and Salvage Company. How's that?"

"First rate. This doesn't happen to be a German steamship, but Italian is just as good."

By the time this mysterious conversation was ended, the last words in a whisper, they had pulled up alongside the wheezing, exhausted scissors-grinder. Phil had uncoupled his lariat, and they both sprang off their wheels.

The tired Italian's eyes flashed an entreating, despairing look at them. He was used to being hectoring by well-dressed boys, but now, when he barely had strength to push along, it seemed to bad. He could not resist, though; he only made a gesture of protest as one end of the rope was quickly passed behind his front fork, and before he could do more, both boys had sprung to their wheels, each carrying an end of the rope, and the next thing the poor man knew he was spinning briskly up the grade without any effort on his part and was landed safe at the top.

Then, as he looked into their faces, he began to take it all in. A smile broke out over his wan face, and having recovered his breath, he jabbered forth a profusion of thanks in Italian and pigeon-English.

"You ver' mucha welcome," said Phil, waving his hand in adieu. "Spoke he understood a word of my Italian, Nels?"

"As much as we did of his. But I guess boosting a fellow up a hard place is the same in all languages. Much hot? No. I feel better than if I had broken Murphy's record. The Bike Towing and Salvage Company is great—but, say! Where does our salvage come in? How many thousand do we get?"

"Get? Didn't you just say you had got it? I have, I know. I guess when you're doing this sort of things for fellows that need it awful bad, there's some One that sees to paying the salvage, all right."

PASS IT ON.

How a Kind Act May Serve Many Persons and Have Long Life.

Once when I was a schoolboy going home for the holidays I had a long way to go to reach the faraway little town in which I dwelt. I arrived at Bristol and got on board the steamer with just money enough to pay my fare, and that being settled I thought, in my innocence, I had paid for everything in the way of meals. I had what I wanted so long as we were in smooth water. Then came the rough Atlantic and the need of nothing more. I had been lying in my berth for hours, wretchedly ill and past caring for anything, when there came the steward and stood beside me.

"Your bill," said he, holding out a piece of paper.

"I have no money," said I in my wretchedness.

"Then I shall keep your luggage. What is your name and address?" I told him. Instantly he took off the cap he wore with the gilt band about it and held out his hand. "I should like to shake hands with you," he said.

I gave him my hand and shook his as well as I could. Then came the explanation—how some years before some little kindness had been shown his mother by his father in the sorrow of her widowhood.

"I never thought the chance would come to me to repay it," he said pleasantly, "but I am glad it has."

As soon as I got ashore I told my father what had happened.

"Ah!" said he. "See how a little bit of kindness lives! Now he has passed it on to you. Remember, if you meet anybody that needs a friendly hand, you must pass it on to him."

Years went by. I had grown up and quite forgotten it all, until one day I had gone to the station on one of our main lines. I was just going to buy my ticket when I saw a little lad crying, a thorough gentleman he was, trying to keep back the troublesome tears as he pleaded with the booking clerk.

"What is the matter, my lad?" I asked.

"If you please, sir, I haven't money enough to pay my fare. I have all but a few pennies, and I tell the clerk if he will trust me I will be sure to pay him."

Instantly he flashed upon me the forgotten story of long ago. Here, then, was my chance to pass it on. I gave him the sum needed and then got into the carriage with him. Then I told the little fellow the story of long ago and of the steward's kindness to me. "Now, today," I said, "I pass it on to you, and, remember, if you meet with any one who needs a friendly hand, you must pass it on to them."

"I will, sir, I will!" cried the lad, as he took my hand, and his eyes flashed with earnestness.

"I am sure you will," I answered.

I reached my destination and left my little friend. The last sign I had of him was the handkerchief fluttering from the window of the carriage, as it to say, "It's all right, sir, I will pass it on."—Catholic News.

THE TWO GENDERS.—Teacher—Bessie, what are the names of the two genders? Bessie—Masculine and genuine.

THE 'I-SLES'.—"Me wants a piece of cake," said Dottie one day. "You should say I, not me," her mother replied. "Well, then, mother," Dottie asked at length, her little forehead all puckered up in perplexity, "wouldn't it be right to say I-sles instead of me-asles?"

THE SAME OLD MOON.—One evening when we were down town, looking and wishing for a great many new things, mother said to Baby Julia, "Look at the moon, it is so bright." Julia answered, "Yes, but we've got a moon just like that at home."

PILLOW-CASE LIGHTNING.—Two little girls were watching the clouds near the horizon on a summer evening, when one exclaimed, "O, see the sheet lightning!" Shortly afterwards there was a smaller flash from the same cloud, and the other little girl cried out, "See there! Look at the pillow-case lightning!"

THE EXCEPTION.—Jimmieboy had a musical grass-roller made of wood, at the seashore. He was very fond of pushing it before him, and when Sunday came was much disappointed because he could not have it out. "Sunday is not a day for rollers, Jimmieboy," said his papa, "no one else has one out." Jimmieboy was thoughtful for a moment, and then he looked at the ocean. "The ocean's got its rollers out just the same," he said.

WISDOM AND RUBIES.—My little brother, John, four years old, went to Junior Endeavor with me last Sunday for the first time, and became very much attached to one of the girls by the name of Ruby, who is in my class in Sunday school. When he came home, he said, "Ruby is better than—Ruby is better than—what? O, yes! Ruby is better than wisdom." I had recently taught him the Bible verse, "Wisdom is better than rubies."

THE WRONG THING WENT IN.—An amusing anecdote is told about a boy who, while a visitor was delivering an address to the scholars, spent his time in watching a mouse playing about a hole in the floor. The visitor had a habit, at the conclusion, of asking those children who had been inattentive whether "it was all in"—meaning had they taken in what had been said. Turning to the boy who had been watching the mouse on this particular afternoon, he said, "Well, Thomas, is it all in?" To his astonishment the youth turned to him with a beaming face, and shouted out, "Yes, sir; it's all in but the tail."

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WEDNESDAY, MAY 9, 1900

FOR BETTER ROADS.

Proper Supervision, Taxes Paid In Money and Wide Tires.

There is great need in this state of more intelligent and experienced road engineers and supervisors, so as to avoid a wasting of money and labor in carrying out worthless plans for work. Our people should realize that the building of good public roads requires as much training and experience as does the building of railroads, said Governor Russell of North Carolina. The system of compulsory labor on public roads has been abandoned in most enlightened countries. In our state it is questionable whether we are in a position to adopt any uniform system upon this subject because of the wide variance of the conditions existing in the different localities.

In some places the property holders are able to bear the road tax, and the circumstances surrounding them are such as to make it to their interest to



TOO OFTEN MET WITH.
do away with the compulsory system. In other localities perhaps the road tax would amount to such a hardship as to make it impracticable.

The plan of employing short term convicts on the roads has proved economical and satisfactory in a number of counties in this and other states, and the system could be well extended. In several states even the long term convicts have, with satisfactory results, been employed in quarrying and crushing stone for macadamizing public roads, and the material thus prepared has been sold to the various counties and municipalities at the actual cost of preparing it, thus reducing its cost one-half or two-thirds. Of course no amount of legislation will of itself radically change the existing conditions, but perhaps laws providing for the working of the public roads may be enacted so as to stimulate and direct better work in this direction.

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OBITUARY.

Mary Yates Chapman.

Mary Yates Chapman was born in 1820 and died at Portland, April 30, 1900. The subject of this article was long a resident of Bethel, and her death will cause a sadness in the hearts of many friends. She united with the Congregational church and had been a devoted member for more than fifty years. Mrs. Chapman was the widow of Milton W. Chapman, who died many years ago, leaving her with quite a family of children dependent upon her counsel and care. The last few years of her life were spent with her daughter at Portland, but Bethel was ever dear to her, and her old associations were kept up by her frequent visits to her son, Jotham Chapman and her daughter, Mrs. Milton Penley. Of an active nature, she enjoyed calling on the people, who in years gone by had been her neighbors, with whom she was ever a welcome guest. Only last fall, she attended conference at Bethel. Her illness was brief; an attack of pneumonia followed by a stroke of paralysis leaving her too weak to rally, but her faith was so sure and steadfast that death achieved no victory, for with her, it was only the stepping from this to a brighter world. She left three sons, Jotham, William, and Fred, and two daughters, Mrs. F. R. Bennett of Portland, and Mrs. Milton Penley of Bethel, and a number of grandchildren.

Her remains were brought to Bethel, and funeral services were held in Garland chapel, May 1, the Rev. Mr. Eldridge of the M. E. church, speaking tenderest words of hope and consolation to the sorrowing relatives. Beautiful music was rendered by Mr. Leander Barker, Mrs. F. B. Tuell, Miss Alice Purington, and Miss Laura Hall. The flower tributes were beautiful. Interment was at Mayville.

One! and the world to go on as before; Gone! and earth's places shall know thee no more;

Sorrow and sadness for thee are all o'er, Dear, faithful heart, to come back never more!

For to her
"Death! was not
So much even as the lifting of a latch;
Only a step into the open air
Out of a tent that is already luminous
With light that shines through its
transparent walls."

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THE DOMINIE.

It is announced in Boston that Bishop Lawrence of Massachusetts is to give a new dormitory to Harvard.

Bishop Charles Edward Cheney of Christ Reformed Episcopal church of Chicago recently celebrated the fortieth anniversary of his pastorate.

The Rev. Dr. Edward P. Goodwin, for 33 years pastor of the First Congregational church of Chicago, has resigned on account of advancing age and ill health. Dr. Goodwin is the dean of the clergy of Chicago for continuous service with one church.

The Rev. Henry J. Callis, the pastor of the African Zion church of Syracuse, was born a slave. He is a Hampton graduate, has studied law, once declined a nomination for member of the Virginia legislature and since his entrance to the ministry has stumped the Pacific coast as a McKinley campaign orator.

A black bishop of the Anglican church was recently consecrated at Lambeth. The Right Rev. James Johnson, assistant bishop of western equatorial Africa, is a Sierra Leone negro whose parents were rescued slaves from the Yoruba country. His station will be Benin. Durham university has made him an honorary A. M.

THE MAN WITH THE GAVEL.

How would Hon. Richard P. Leary of Guam do for a vice presidential candidate?—Washington Post.

The office of vice president of the United States is one of great dignity and importance. To preside over the American senate is itself a work of great responsibility and honor.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

The man selected for the second place on a national ticket should be the equal of the man at the head, it, under the prevailing circumstances, it is possible to find two men of equal availability.—Exchange.

Educate Your Bowels With Cascarets. Candy Cathartic, cure constipation forever. 10c, 25c. If C. C. fail, druggists refund money.

THE CENSOR.

Russia continues to say nothing, and lay railroad ties.—Washington Star.
The professor whose dreams solve problems suggests the question, "Are not some people wider awake when asleep?"—New York World.

Black diamonds in Alaska fetch \$125 a ton. In that region they have no ice man, but the coal man is essentially "it."—Kansas City Times.

England is ordering American railway cars. There is nothing the United States is not ready to send to Europe, from battleships for navies to coals for Newcastle.—Baltimore American.

Although there are over 26,000 horses and mules in use in the federal army, the common sense safeguard of a veterinary corps has never been resorted to by the government.—Philadelphia Record.

If the Kaiser consents to bar out American meat in order that he may add a few more ships to his navy, he may wake up some day and find that when he did so he engaged in a losing venture.—Pittsburg Times.

The near approach of the bubonic plague to this country should serve to cause every precaution to be taken to prevent its reaching our shores. It is reported on an island off the coast of Mexico.—Galveston News.

Japan has a foothold in Korea. Russia regards Korea as a necessity and inevitable part of her east Asiatic empire. Japan and Russia are therefore enemies; and feel that only a war can settle their differences.—New York World.

It looks very much as if influenza was being overworked. All sorts of fatalities are charged to it, just as they were charged to malaria or heart failure, years ago. The doctors like to have a scapegoat handy.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Parisian hotels of the \$3 a day class, it is understood, will raise prices to \$9 a day after April 1, and even the price of seats at theaters will be tripled at the same time. People who "ran boardings" or places of amusement in Chicago during the World's fair will take off their hats in awestricken admiration of the Frenchmen's enterprise.—Chicago News.

POULTRY POINTERS.

The overfat hen is often the one that is laying the soft shelled eggs.

Any breed of fowls can be profitably kept on a dry, sandy or gravelly soil. There is nothing so fruitful of disease among chickens as damp or unclean quarters.

Fowls should not be killed when they have a full crop, for as soon as they are dead the flesh turns blue and dark immediately over the crop.

Throwing soft feed upon the ground is poor economy. Troughs or smooth boards cost little and are not only much cleaner, but avoid wastes of feed.

Young chickens will eat wheat, when 2 weeks old, and as it is one of the very best grains that can be given for growth, it is quite an item to feed them liberally with it.

In mating always endeavor to use active, vigorous cocks. Do not select the largest and heaviest. Sacrifice points for vigor. Mate 1-year-old cocks with 2-year-old hens.

The best turkeys for breeding are those 2 years old. If yearling stock be used, the earliest hatched males and females should be selected. It is of no advantage to hatch them too early.

BITS FROM SHELDON.

Gifts that involve no sacrifice return neither happiness nor pleasure.

Where the body is wrung with pain, where it is filled with disease, one cannot be happy.

Doctors head the list of suicides, because they see the ill side of life—its physical side.

We here in America seem to have evolved in the course of our fast living a disease that once was not known—nervous prostration.

It is always very hard to tell which of these two is the more miserable man on earth—the discontented rich or the friendless beggar.

The little child who buys tin toys for a cent in the stores gets more pleasure out of giving them to some other little child than the rich man who ostentatiously gives presents worth thousands of dollars.—Rev. Charles M. Sheldon.

THE ART OF WAR.

For the first time in the history of the British army there was actually a desire among officers that commissions should be given men who have served in the ranks.

The mounted police of Cape Colony are picked men, used to fighting and proud of the high reputation of their corps. The force consists of 2,000 enlisted men and 68 officers.

Twelve pounds only is the weight of the new automatic machine gun under experiment in the United States army. It fires 450 shots a minute and can be carried by one man.

Russia is probably the only country that could raise a regiment composed entirely of generals, who number 1,248. They receive in salaries an aggregate of 7,000,000 rubles a year.

HOUSEHOLD HINTS.

In escaping from a fire creep or crawl along the room with your face close to the floor.

To fasten labels to tin canisters add one teaspoonful of brown sugar to one quart of paste.

Washing bronze chandeliers removes the bronze. Dust with a feather brush and a soft cloth.

When sewing at night, something white should be thrown over the table beneath the light to relieve the eyes.

Articles of old furniture are sometimes made to appear new by washing them with lime-water and then applying a coat of oil.

THE COOKBOOK.

Always scald rhubarb before cooking it, for it then requires much less sugar, and yet loses none of its flavor.

A new idea is to put the flavoring of cake, puddings, sauces, etc., with the butter. The butter holds the flavor better than any other medium.

Cold steak may be acceptably served as a hot over by passing it through the meat chopper and arranging it neatly on a platter, garnished with parsley or water cress.



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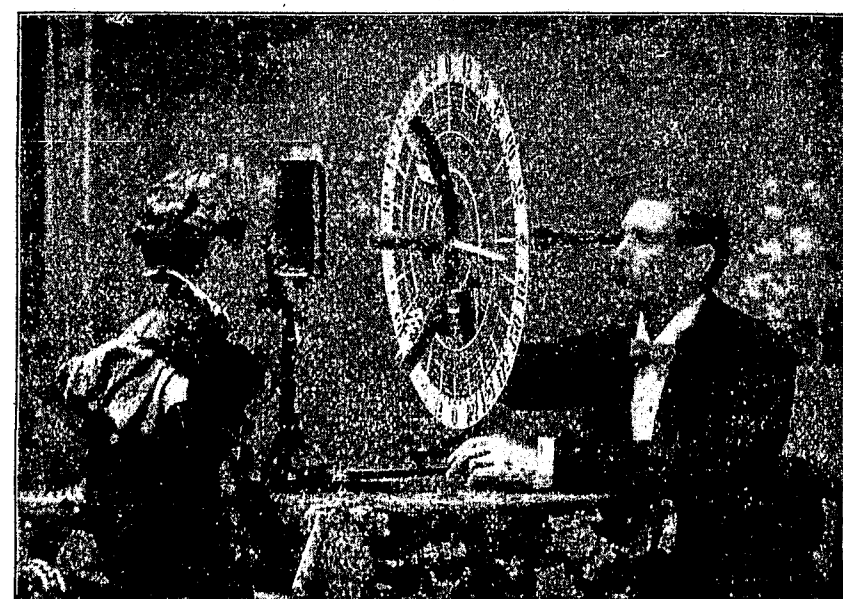
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